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AGING IN PLACE IN UNION COMMITTEE

Monday, August 5, 2019 William Pullen Building Meeting Room 1 p.m.

Present: Marcie Cowen, Bob Williams, Wanda Gamage-Wyman, Lorain Francis, Martha and Clark Hooper, Katie Tarbox, Carol Watier, Bill and Holly Lombardi, Patrick Groening.

- 1. Lorain passed out copies of past minutes for the note takers to sign.
- 2. We all introduced ourselves.
- 3. The July minutes were approved, with the addition that the change noticed in the June minutes were requested by the June notetaker, Carol Watier. In the July minutes, the name of Jim Murphy needed to be eliminated from #9.
- 4. New members of the Committee, Marcie, Bill, and Holly were given new member forms to complete and return to the town office, so they can be sworn in as members of the Aging in Place in Union Committee. Wanda requested their addresses and phone numbers.
- 5. Senior Luncheon Stacey and the ladies in the town office created a luncheon announcement for the August 29, 2019 barbecue. We reviewed it and a motion was taken to accept it.
- 6. We then proceeded to plan the luncheon. Bob will pick up the grill from the fairgrounds and bring it to the town office. He will do the grilling. Katie will bring food: hamburgers, hotdogs, rolls, chips, watermelon, lemonade, bottles of water, condiments, and coffee. She will also pick up tablecloths, napkins, cups, plates, and utensils. She will be reimbursed from our town allotment. funds. We also will have small vases with flowers. We asked Patrick to remind Jay Feyler to have the tent advertising signs placed outside the town office and the post office by August 22.
- 7. We will have 4 door prizes; 2 of fire department's red house reflective signs and 2 other items, to be determined. Perhaps, a flashlight or some other safety item.

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- 8. We approved a motion to pay for all the door prizes from our town allotment funds.
- 9. We will change the luncheon invites to include the announcement of door prizes. Wanda will arrange for the red signs and Katie will create the reusable bags, containing a flashlight and maybe other safety goodies.
- 10. We will meet at 10 a.m. on August 29 to set up for the barbecue.
- 11. Jesse, EMS, will bring the ambulance to the parking lot for folks to view. He will also share info on the Good Morning Union program, and the red reflective house signs.
- 12. Lorain had talked with Sheila Curry about the transportation committee and she is not interested in being involved.
- 13. Martha questioned if there is a need to work on transportation. It was not a need mentioned in the survey that we did. Many agencies are working on that issue, and on a county wide or larger basis. Katie agreed with Martha. Katie has info about the Midcoast Connector and info for Maine Care Members who need transportation. Carol had checked back with Community Concepts and no funds have been allocated for Knox County. Lorain spoke of other needs expressed by older folks that Penquis is addressing, including replacing old trailers. It might make more sense for our committee to be an information hub for this population that we want to serve. There was wide agreement to this change. We voted to table our transportation focus.
- 14. We then moved on to how to provide this resource. Jay had said at a past meeting that we could have a Facebook page. We will start our next meeting with a discussion as to how we will create a Facebook page. Maybe the library will help us with this outreach effort.
- 15. Wanda and Lorain agreed to continue as co-chairs for this Committee.
- 16. Our next meeting will be Sept. 9, Monday at 1 p.m., at the town office meeting room.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Watier, Notetaker for the day